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Amendment dated May 27, 2008

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REMARKS/ARGUMENT

Amendments to the Claims

Minor typographical and grammatical corrections have been made to Claim 32, without substantively adding to, deleting from or otherwise changing the Claim, and Claim 36 has been deleted.

Entry of these amendments and continued examination based on the same is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-5 and 7-35 are pending in the instant Application.

Claim 36 had been separately rejected under 35USC102(b) as anticipated by Lion Corp. (JP09-168395A) and as anticipated by Lion Corp. (JP09-271387A).

Cancellation of Claim 36 is believed to fully satisfy and overcome these rejections.

Applicants, therefore, respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw each of these rejections.

Believing that their cancellation of Claim 36 now places the Application in condition for allowance, Applicants earnestly solicit such favorable action of the Examiner, and respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in the prosecution of this Application.

If any further questions do remain which may be resolved by a telephone interview, however, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned Attorney.

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